## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 880

## By Finney L

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jeremy Ryan Hill of Huntingdon.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely death of Jeremy Ryan Hill; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill was an inspiring young man who was a great source of pride to his family and brought endless joy to the lives of those people who were fortunate enough to know him; and

WHEREAS, born on May 2, 1996 in McKenzie, Jeremy Hill was a sophomore at Huntingdon High School, where he excelled academically and demonstrated the greatest principles of sportsmanship and athleticism in basketball and cross country; and

WHEREAS, he was also a devout member of Huntingdon Missionary Baptist Church, and actively involved in the church youth group; and

WHEREAS, his Christian faith and courage led him to make the ultimate sacrifice when he attempted to rescue his sixty-six-year-old grandfather, Dwayne Hill, from the fatal current of the Tennessee River; and

WHEREAS, though both men lost their lives that day, their memories will endure forever in the minds and hearts of their friends and relatives; and

WHEREAS, a beloved son and grandson, Jeremy is survived by his parents, John and Genetta Rushing; his maternal grandmother, Patsy Hill; and his paternal grandparents, Joe and Dorothy Rushing; and

WHEREAS, he will also be sorely missed by his uncles and aunts, Mike and Elizabeth Sieber, Edward and Tiffany Hill, Adam and Candy Steele, and Mark Rushing; his first cousins, Hannah Hill, Kelsie Sieber, Haley Hill, Hunter Hill, Lilly Steele, Jazmine Sieber, Lindsey, Jennifer, Logan, Tiffany, and Shannon; and a host of cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Hill leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional young man; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jeremy Ryan Hill, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Hill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.